

## Fiscal Edit Criteria Proposal

Drug/Drug Class: **Tamiflu® Fiscal Edit**  
 Date: **April 5, 2006**  
 Prepared for:  
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☒ **New Criteria**

☐ **Revision of Existing Criteria**

### Executive Summary

**Purpose:** Ensure appropriate utilization of Tamiflu® (oseltamivir).

**Why was this Issue Selected:** Tamiflu® is an antiviral agent that causes inhibition of influenza virus neuraminidase with the possibility of alteration of virus particle aggregation and release. These drugs work by stopping the growth and spread of the flu virus in the body. Oseltamivir is designed to shorten the time which a patient suffers from the flu, in patients who have had symptoms for 2 days or less.

Program-specific information:	Drug	Claims	Expense
	• Tamiflu® 75mg	5,376	\$378,342
	• Tamiflu® 125mg/ml	<u>1,626</u>	<u>\$73,917</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7002</b>	<b>\$452,259</b>

**Setting & Population:** All patients

**Type of Criteria:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Increased risk of ADE	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Preferred Agent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effectiveness	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Data Sources:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Only administrative databases	<input type="checkbox"/> Databases + Prescriber-supplied
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## Setting & Population

- Drug for review: Tamiflu® (oseltamivir)
- Age range: All ages
- Gender: Male and female

## Approval Criteria

- Up to two 5-day courses of Tamiflu® therapy – dosed BID or
- Up to two 7-day preventative courses of Tamiflu® therapy – dosed once daily

## Denial Criteria

- Greater than two 7-day courses of Tamiflu® therapy annually (14 days total).

## Required Documentation

Laboratory results: ☐  
MedWatch form: ☐

Progress notes: ☐

## Disposition of Edit

- **Denial:** Edit 683 “Fiscal Edit”

## References

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